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DEED OF INCORPORATION.

ON THIS sixteenth day of the month of November, one thousand eight hundred and seventy ;

BEFORE ME, Lewis Alexander Hart, a Notary Public, duly commissioned and sworn, in and for the Province of Quebec, in the Dominion of Canada, residing in the City of Montreal.

PERSONALLY CAME AND APPEARED Jacob Gottschalk Ascher, Moëse Schwob, Abraham Edward Cohen, merchants, and Sullivan David, commission merchant, all of the said City of Montreal.

WHO declared unto me, the said Notary ; THAT WHEREAS there has for some past time existed, and now exists, in Montreal aforesaid, an Association of persons who have united themselves together, under the name of "THE YOUNG MEN'S HEBREW BENEVOLENT SOCIETY OF MONTREAL ;" such Society being established for the purpose of assisting and granting Relief to the needy and distressed of the Hebrew Faith ; and of which said Society the said parties hereto and others are Members.

AND WHEREAS, at the Annual Meeting of the said Society, which took place on the tenth day of July last past, a Committee was appointed for the purpose of inquiring into the expediency of securing the Incorporation of the said Society ; and the said Committee, having at a Special Meeting of the said Society, on the thirteenth instant, reported favorably,

was empowered to secure the Incorporation of the said Society, as appears from a copy of the Minutes of the last mentioned Meeting, signed by the Secretary of the said Society and hereunto annexed.

NOW THESE PRESENTS WITNESS that the said parties hereto, being Officers of the said Society and Members of the Committee hereinbefore referred to, and all other persons who now are or shall hereafter become Members of the said Association, ARE hereby Incorporated under Chapter seventy one of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada, entitled, "An Act respecting Charitable, Philanthropic and Provident Associations," and shall henceforth be a Body Politic and Corporate under the name of "THE YOUNG MEN'S HEBREW BENEVOLENT SOCIETY OF MONTREAL;" and by that name shall have continued succession, may contract and be contracted with, sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, answer and be answered unto, in all courts and places, and in all actions, suits, complaints and causes whatsoever.

THE MEMBERS of the said Society may, in the name of the Society or of the President or other officer or officers thereof, acquire and take by purchase, donation, devise or otherwise, and hold for the purpose of better enabling them to carry out such benevolent and charitable designs as now are or may hereafter be sanctioned by the Laws of the said Society, all kinds of Personal and also Real Property (not exceeding five acres), and may sell and alienate the same, and may purchase and acquire in the place and stead thereof any other Real Estate, not exceeding the quantity before mentioned.

THE property, monies, assets, securities for money, stocks and investments of the said Association shall

hereafter belong to the Society hereby incorporated, and shall be held, managed and dealt with in accordance with the Laws of the said Society.

THE officers of the existing Association shall be the officers of the Society hereby incorporated, until others shall be duly elected in their stead.

ALL By-Laws, Rules and Regulations of the existing Association shall remain in force as the By-Laws, Rules and Regulations of the said Society hereby incorporated, until repealed or altered by the passing of new ones; which said By-Laws, Rules and Regulations are now contained in a printed Book, hereunto annexed and identified by the signatures of the said parties hereto and me, the said notary.

THUS DONE AND PASSED at the said City of Montreal, in the office of said Notary, on the day, month and year hereinbefore written, under number forty three of the original deeds remaining of record in the said office. In testimony whereof, the said parties hereto have signed with me, the said Notary, these presents having been first duly read and the Seal of said Association being hereunto affixed.

(Signed,)	JACOB G. ASCHER.
(L.S.)	M. SCHWOB.
"	A. EDW. COHEN.
"	SULLIVAN DAVID.
"	L. A. HART, N. P.

BY-LAWS

(Amended and revised to 13th February, 1887).

ART. I.—NAME.

This society shall be known by the name and title of "The Young Men's Hebrew Benevolent Society of Montreal."

ART. II.—OBJECTS.

The objects of the Society shall be to assist and grant temporary relief to sick and indigent persons of the Hebrew Religion.

ART. III.—MEMBERSHIP.

Any person of the Hebrew Faith and of the age of thirteen years and upwards shall be eligible for membership. The society shall not be dissolved while ten members remain. Application for membership may be made at any time to the Board of Directors, who shall consider the same as soon as possible, and thereupon the Secretary shall notify the applicant of the decision. As a mark of esteem and respect any person may be elected an Honorary Member by a three-fourths vote of members present at a general meeting of the Society. All members shall be subject to the Deed of Incorporation and By-Laws of the Society.

ART. IV.—OFFICERS.

The Board of Directors of the Society shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Treasurer and Secretary, who shall be elected annually, and five Directors, who shall serve for two years, three Directors being elected one year, and two the next, and so to proceed alternately thereafter. All Officers are eligible for re-election.

ART. V.—MEETINGS.

The Society shall hold two meetings in each year, the Annual Meeting in the month of October, and the semi-annual in the month of April, on days to be respectively fixed by the Board of Directors and of which one week's notice must be given to the members. Special general meetings of the Society shall be called by the Secretary, after one week's notice, upon order of the President or the Board of Directors, or upon the written requisition of eight members. Fifteen members, including Officers, shall constitute a quorum at all General meetings. The election of Officers and presentation of Reports shall take place at the Annual meeting.

ART. VI.—SUBSCRIPTIONS.

The annual subscription of members shall be Five dollars, payable quarterly in advance. Any member who is in arrears for six months shall not have a right to vote at any meeting. The names of members who are in arrears for two years may be struck from the roll of membership, without notice, by the Board of Directors and payment of the amount due enforced by Law.

ART. VII.—PRESIDENT.

The President shall preside at all meetings of the Society and of the Board of Directors, sign the minutes of the same, and superintend the Society's affairs generally. He shall name all Committees required by the Society or the Board.

ART. VIII.—VICE-PRESIDENT.

The Vice-President shall, in the absence of the President, or on the Presidential chair becoming vacant, exercise all the rights appertaining to that office.

ART. IX.—TREASURER.

The Treasurer shall receive and account for all monies belonging to the Society, and disburse the same on order signed by the President or the Relief Committee. He shall keep the Finance books of the Society, and the accounts of the Members. He shall deposit all monies exceeding one hundred dollars in some chartered Bank in the name of the Society, and approved of by the Board, and all cheques thereon shall be signed jointly by him and the President. He shall submit a detailed financial statement at the end of the fiscal year, and afford all information with regard to the finances of the Society when required.

ART. X.—SECRETARY.

The Secretary shall notify members of all meetings, keep a roll of the members' names, as also a record of the minutes of the Society and of the Board of Directors, and attend to the Society's correspondence and such other duties as generally appertain to that office.

ART. XI.—BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

The Board of Directors shall be the governing body of the Society; they shall meet at least once a month. Three shall form a quorum at their meetings. They shall sub-divide themselves into Committees of Relief, and may add to such Committees from the members. The said Committees of Relief shall serve in rotation, and upon any case of distress coming to their knowledge, shall institute enquiries as to the circumstance and character of the applicant, and grant relief if they deem it necessary to an amount not to exceed, in any one case, the sum of fifteen dollars. Applications involving an expenditure of over fifteen dollars must be considered by the Board. The Committees of Relief shall during their term of service collect the subscriptions and arrears due to the Society and hand the same to the Treasurer as soon as possible. Report shall be made of the name, age, sex, nativity, and occupation of all applicants for relief and of all such other information relating to them as may be useful to the Society, the whole of which shall be entered in the Register kept by the Secretary for such purpose.

ART. XII.—FUNDS.

There shall be two funds of the Society, the General Fund and the "Reserve Fund." The General Fund shall consist of all sums received from the members and subscribers, and shall be applied to the general objects of the Society. The Reserve Fund shall consist of all sums received by donations or bequests thereto. The annual interest of the Reserve Fund shall be added to the General Fund.

Twenty per cent of the nett cash balance on hand at the end of each fiscal year shall be applied to the Reserve Fund.

All donations to the Society shall be duly acknowledged by the Treasurer.

ART. XIII.—FISCAL YEAR.

The Fiscal year shall end on the 1st of October, and reports of the actions of the Board of Directors and of the Society, together with the Treasurer's report for the year previous, shall be printed and transmitted to the members at least one week prior to the annual meeting. Supplementary reports up to the date of the annual meeting shall be submitted thereat.

ART. XIV.—CO-OPERATION.

The Board of Directors shall have the power to appoint Committees to co-operate whenever practicable with any other Benevolent Institution or Organization for the more complete furtherance of the objects of the Society, and also to guard against imposition.

ART. XV.—ORDER OF BUSINESS.

The order of business at regular general meetings shall be as follows.

1. Confirming Minutes.
2. Correspondence.
3. Report of Board of Directors.
4. Treasurer's report.
5. Special Committee reports.
6. Election of Officers.
7. General business.

This order of business may at any meeting be suspended or altered on a two-thirds vote.

ART. XVI.—AMENDMENTS.

These by-laws cannot be suspended as a whole, but at any meeting any special by-law may be suspended for the same on a three-fourths majority. Six months notice at least must be given in writing of all proposed repeals, alterations and amendments to these by-laws, and the same shall only be carried by a two-thirds vote.

